

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT  
Divisional of U.S. Appln. No. 10/197,829 (Q77574)

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

**This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:**

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

Claims 1-14. (canceled).

15. (original): A magnetic tape cartridge comprising a cartridge casing formed by upper and lower casing halves connected together, and a single reel around which a magnetic tape with a leader pin fixed to the leading end thereof is wound and which is contained in the cartridge casing for rotation, the leader pin being removably held in a tape draw-out opening with its axial direction directed in the vertical direction under urging force of a first urging means acting on its upper and lower end portions sideways with the upper and lower end portions received in recesses respectively formed in the upper and lower casing halves, wherein the improvement comprises that

a second urging means for urging downward the leader pin is provided on the upper casing half of the cartridge casing, and the maximum load point on the leader pin by the first urging means and that by the second urging means are displaced from each other in the direction of insertion of the leader pin.

16. (original): A magnetic tape cartridge comprising a cartridge casing formed by upper and lower casing halves connected together, and a single reel around which a magnetic tape with a leader pin fixed to the leading end thereof is wound and which is contained in the cartridge casing for rotation, the leader pin being removably held in a tape draw-out opening with its axial direction directed in the vertical direction under urging force of a spring member acting on its upper and lower end portions sideways with the upper and

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lower end portions received in recesses respectively formed in the upper and lower casing halves, and the tape draw-out opening being opened and closed by a slide door wherein the improvement comprises that

the slide door is provided on the back side thereof with a rib having an inclined surface which is brought into abutment against the upper surface of the head portion of the leader pin and presses downward the leader pin in response to movement of the slide door to the closing position.

Claims 17-38. (canceled).